SD Weed & Pest Control Commission Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held at the, Governor's Inn - 700 West Sioux Ave., Pierre SD 57501, Pierre, SD 57501 on April 9, 2015 at 1:00 pm, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules numbered

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The effect of the rules will be to add Japanese beetle & tarragon to the local noxious weed and declared pest list. This will allow the counties to select locally noxious weeds and pests for their local county listings.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to allow counties to be able to request Japanese beetle & tarragon as a locally declared noxious weed or pest in their county.

Passage of these rules will allow the county to control a declared locally noxious weed or pest within the county. Counties have made the request to add these on their locally noxious weed and pest list. If the weed or pest is added to the list it will allow the county to take an enforcement action against any landowners who do not control the locally declared noxious weed or pest.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Division of Agricultural Service, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Agriculture by April 8, 2015, to be considered.

After the hearing, the Commission will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Commission may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Agriculture at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3796.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the
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Division of Agricultural Services
Weed & Pest Program
523 East Capitol Ave., Foss Bldg.
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

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